



2025 MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

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Manufacturing

Manufacturing is a major component of Missouri's \$451.2 billion economy, representing 11.6 percent (\$52.38 billion) of the 2024 total Gross State Product (GSP) in current dollars, not adjusted for inflation. Nationally, manufacturing contributed 10.0 percent to total GDP. The compound annual growth rate (CAGR) over the past five years in Missouri's manufacturing GSP averaged 6.6 percent; nationally, the CAGR was 5.1 percent in current dollars.

Manufacturing accounts for 11.5 percent of the state's private sector employment, with 284,855 jobs across 8,429 establishments. The industry has added about 7,700 jobs since 2019, growing 3 percent over five years.

Manufacturing wages continue to grow statewide and nationally. Missouri's 2024 manufacturing payroll totaled \$21.2 billion, with an average annual wage of \$74,553. This is higher than the state's overall private sector wage of \$64,754.

MANUFACTURING

By the Numbers

284,855

Employees

8,429

Establishments

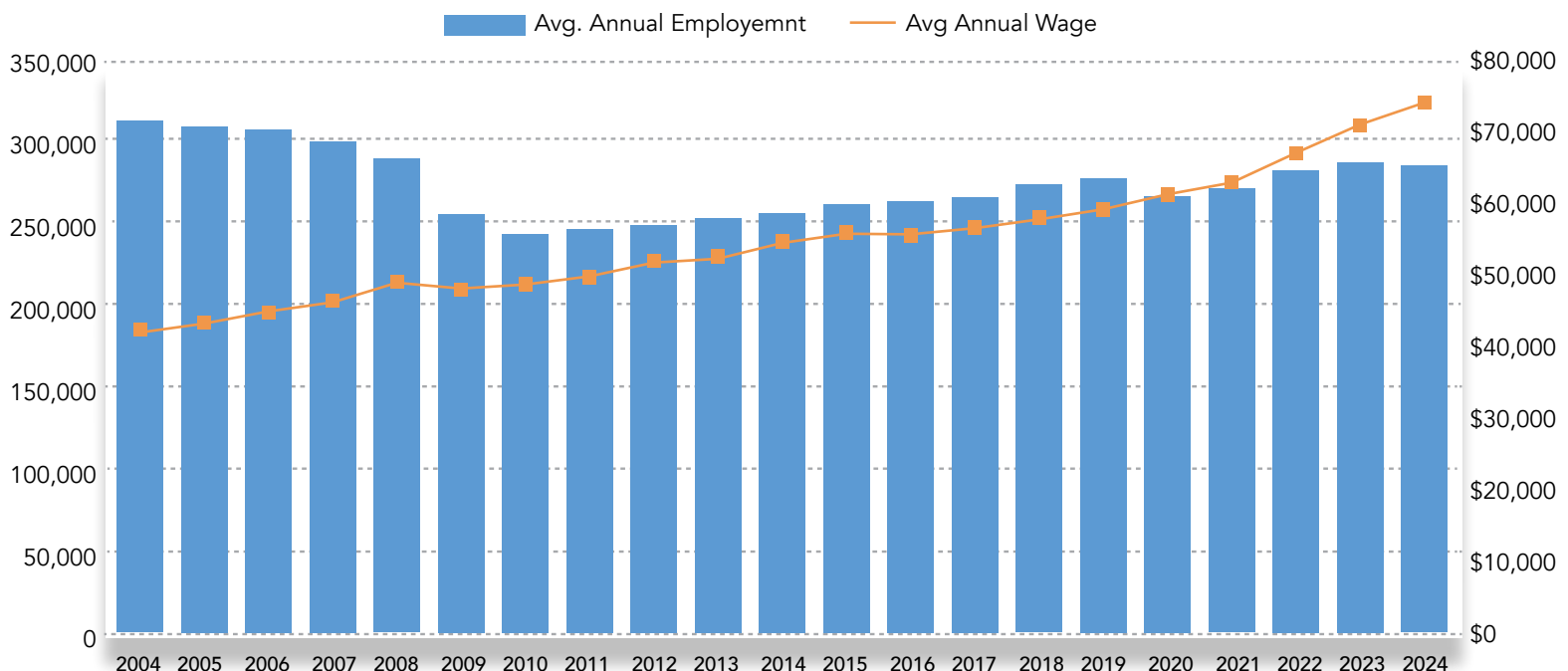
11.6 Percent

Total GSP Share

\$74,553

Average Wage

MISSOURI MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES 2004-2024

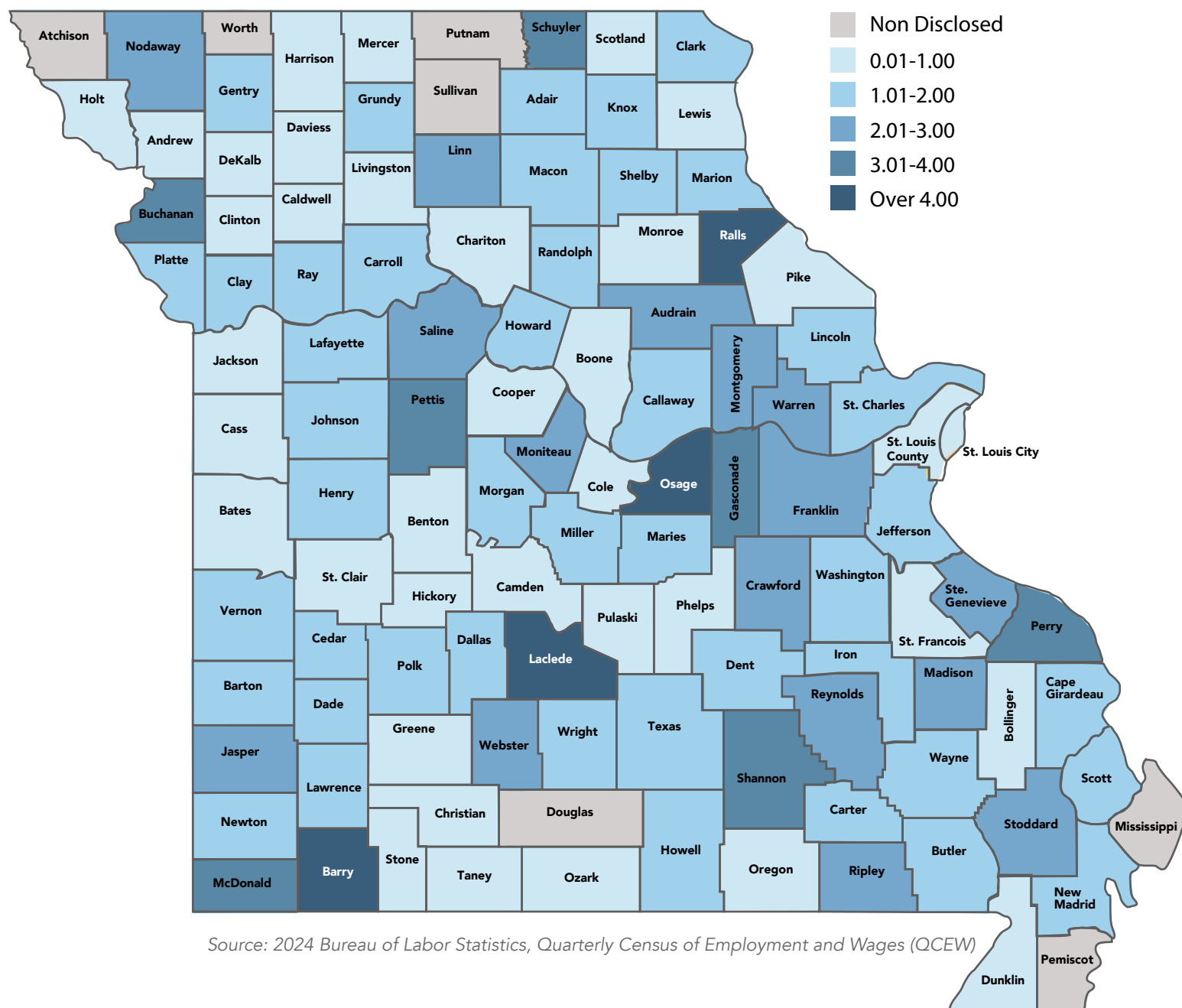


Source: 2024 Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), Private Industry Employment

LOCATION QUOTIENT ANALYSIS

Location Quotient (LQ) compares the regional share of an industry to the national share to indicate the level of concentration of an industry in an area. An LQ over 1.0 indicates sectors of employment concentration higher than the national average. With a LQ of 1.2, Missouri has a greater share of its workers employed in the manufacturing sector than the national average. Seventy-three out of Missouri's 115 (64%) counties have an LQ over 1.0. Ralls County has the highest LQ at 6.24, followed by Osage (LQ 4.75), Barry (LQ 4.34), Laclede (LQ 4.31), and McDonald (LQ 3.63).

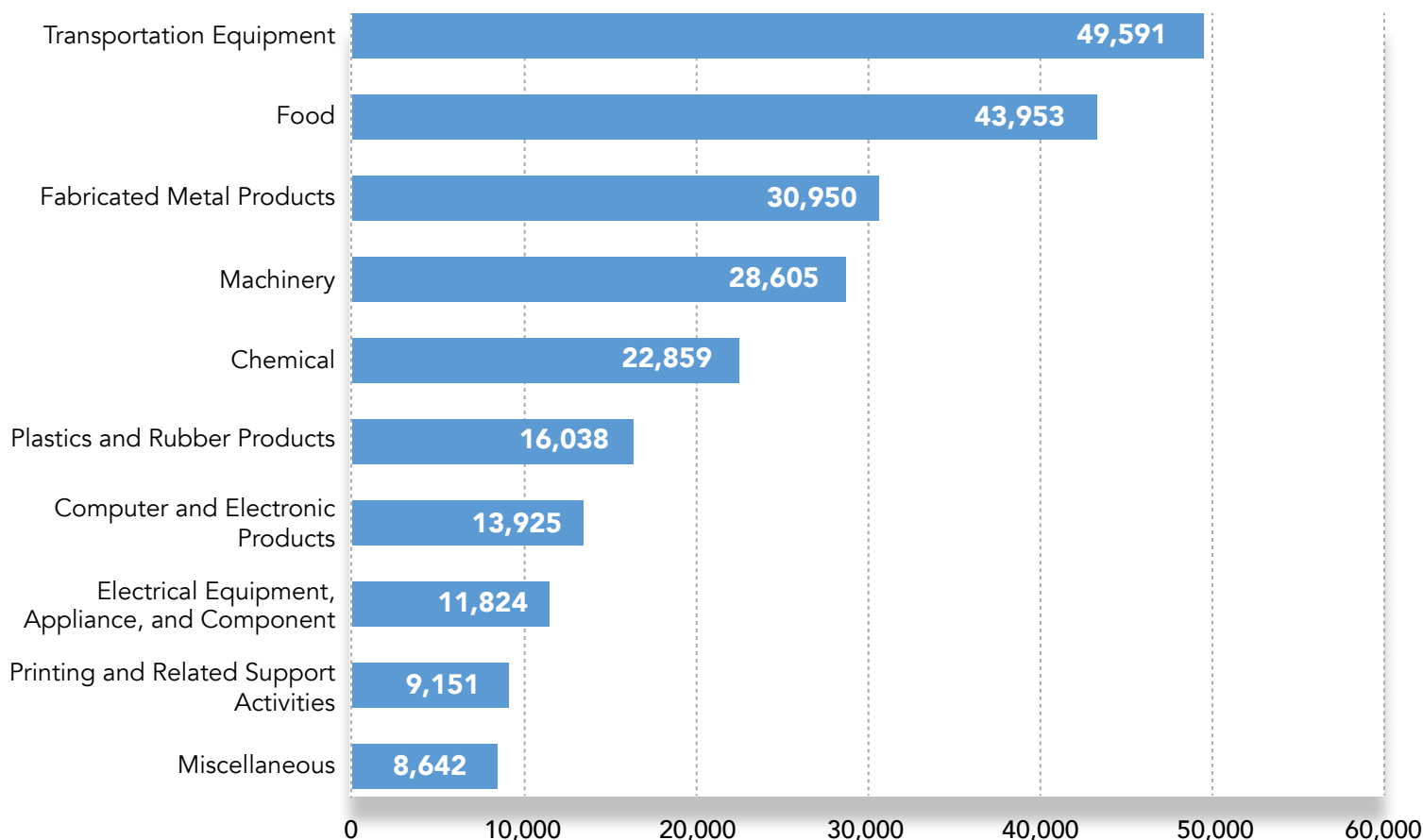
2024 MANUFACTURING LOCATION QUOTIENT BY COUNTY



ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION

Manufacturing industries make a significant contribution to the Missouri economy, directly and indirectly. Manufacturing's contribution to Missouri's economy can be measured in terms of jobs created, incomes earned, and value-added. Value-added, a measure of industry sales minus production costs, refers to an industry's share of Gross State Product (GSP).

2024 TOP EMPLOYING MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES



Source: 2024 Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), Private Industry Employment

In 2024, Missouri had an estimated 8,429 manufacturing establishments that directly employed 284,855 workers, providing approximately \$21.2 billion in payroll and an 11.6 percent share of Missouri's total GSP.

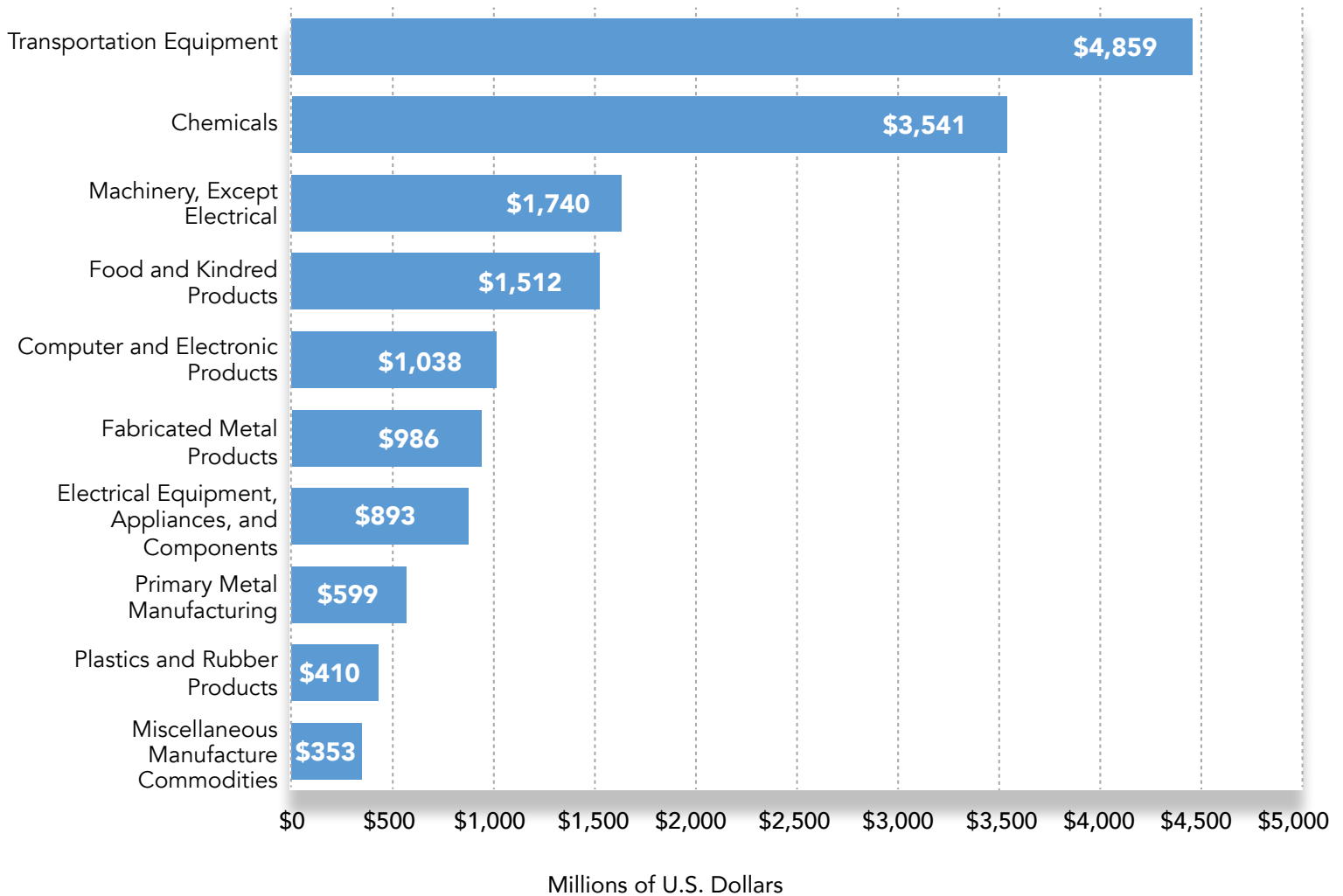
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing topped employment in the manufacturing sector with over 49,500 employees, followed by *Food Manufacturing* (43,964); *Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing* (30,950); and *Machinery Manufacturing* (28,605).

2024 MANUFACTURING EXPORTS

Manufacturing exports in Missouri totaled nearly \$16.9 billion in 2024, up from \$15.6 billion in 2023 and \$14.7 billion in 2022. Missouri's highest manufacturing industry exports were in *Transportation Equipment Manufacturing* and *Chemical Manufacturing*. *Transportation Equipment Manufacturing* added \$422 million, a 10 percent increase from 2023.

2024 TOP TEN MANUFACTURING EXPORTS

Millions of U.S. Dollars



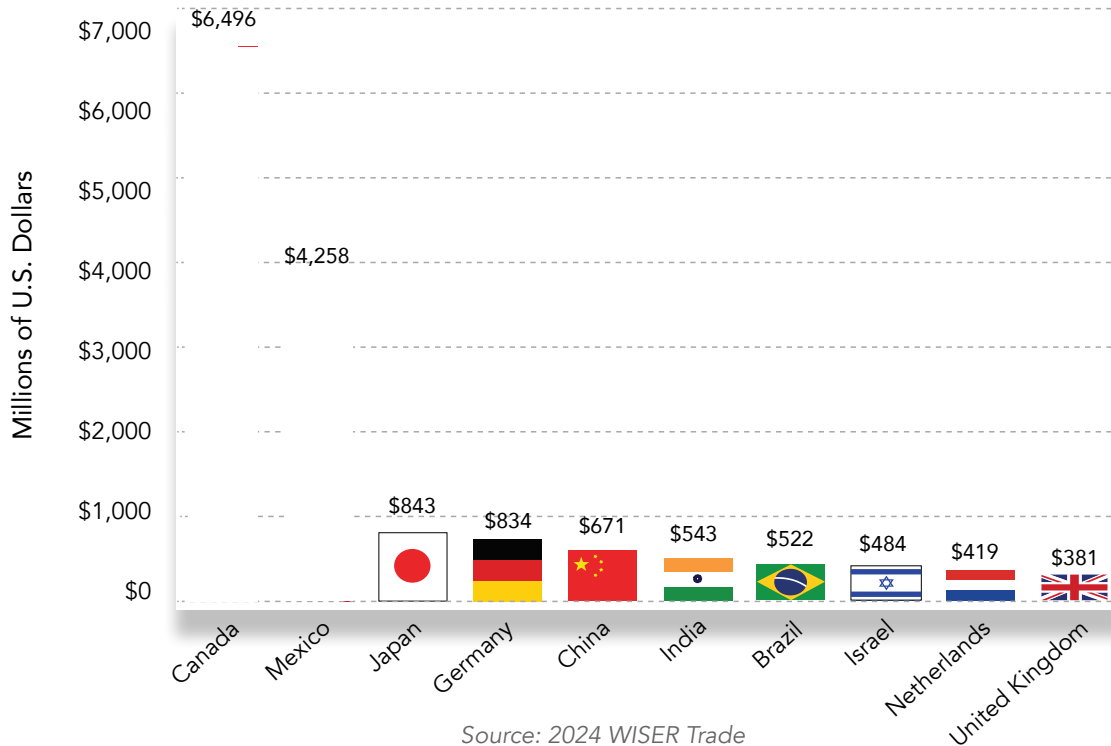
Source: 2024 WISER Trade

INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

Over \$19.3 billion worth of manufactured and other products were shipped to other countries through Missouri ports. The top export destinations were Canada and Mexico, followed by Japan, Germany, China, India, Brazil, Israel, Netherlands, and United Kingdom.

2024 MISSOURI TOP COUNTRY EXPORTS

Millions of U.S. Dollars



In 2024, Missouri's highest-value shipments to Canada and Israel were *Transportation Equipment*; to Mexico were *Agricultural Products*; and to Germany, China, Brazil, Netherlands, and United Kingdom were *Chemicals*. Missouri's top export to Japan was *Food and Kindred Products* while to India was *Minerals and Ores*.

TOP MISSOURI EXPORTS, 2024

Country	Total Exports (All Industries)	Primary Export
Canada	\$6,495,552,682	Transportation Equipment
Mexico	\$4,257,711,005	Agricultural Products
Japan	\$843,163,046	Food and Kindred Products
Germany	\$834,005,703	Chemicals
China	\$671,427,698	Chemicals
India	\$543,292,350	Minerals and Ores
Brazil	\$521,554,578	Chemicals
Israel	\$483,773,567	Transportation Equipment
Netherlands	\$419,235,856	Chemicals
United Kingdom	\$380,690,836	Chemicals

Source: 2024 WISER Trade

NAICS	INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION
311	Food manufacturing
312	Beverage and tobacco product manufacturing
313	Textile mills
314	Textile product mills
315	Apparel manufacturing
316	Leather and allied product manufacturing
321	Wood product manufacturing
322	Paper manufacturing
323	Printing and related support activities
324	Petroleum and coal products manufacturing
325	Chemical manufacturing
326	Plastics and rubber products manufacturing
327	Nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing
331	Primary metal manufacturing
332	Fabricated metal product manufacturing
333	Machinery manufacturing
334	Computer and electronic product manufacturing
335	Electrical equipment and appliance manufacturing
336	Transportation equipment manufacturing
337	Furniture and related product manufacturing
339	Miscellaneous manufacturing

Notes:

Gross State Product data was obtained from the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Employment numbers and location quotients were obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW). Industries are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

Missouri manufacturing export data were obtained from the World Institute for Strategic Economic Research (WISER) Trade database.

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